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Mia is sitting by the fireplace while the rain taps steadily against the windows and the wind howls through the trees.	I picture Mia feeling cozy and safe inside her house. The warm orange glow of the flames contrasts with the dark, stormy night outside.

I predict that:

Mia opens the door and finds her neighbor seeking shelter.